The Jews of the *Caucasus* (about 70,000) are descended from Caucasian tribes of the Alpine race. They were converted to Judaism in ancient times, but have been little in touch with the main bodies of Jewry, and therefore to this day represent the Alpine racial element, without Mediterranean admixture.

Among the *Bokhara* Jews, who have come to Bokhara from Mesopotamia and Persia,[1] a variant of the Alpine type is frequent, resembling the old Assyrian kings—tall, with broad shoulders, powerful necks, big and broad noses. They are probably descended from a conquering tribe (the Kassites?) which settled in Persia and Bokhara. The type occurs also among the Mesopotamian and Persian Jews, and, sporadically, even among the Ashkenazic Jews of Europe.

(d) *Alien Types*

Not all Jews can be fitted into the main racial types or the isolated groups. Infusion of foreign blood produces among the Jews individuals of a Nordic or a Mongol, and occasionally even of a negroid, type. (These—with frizzled hair, thick lips, and flat noses—are possibly descended from North-Airican Moorish slaves, with an admixture of negro blood, who, in the Middle Ages, having adopted Judaism, were received into Jewish families.) Types alien to the Jews were not to be found among the

Jews before the Middle Ages, and even now do not occur in groups, but sporadically. Since the beginning of the nineteenth century their number has, however, increased considerably in countries where misfed marriages and illicit intercourse are common between Jews and non-Jews. In Central and Western Europe, by now they probably form one-fourth of all the Jews; in Eastern Europe they are less numerous.

[1] A few hundred of them have emigrated to Jerusalem during the last thirty years*